

to open a second location in Washington, D.C. in 1976. The venture was a smashing success. Over the years, the Prime Rib became a renowned institution—racking up a long list of local and national accolades.

All the while, Buzz could be found at the steakhouse nearly every night of the week—where he oversaw operations and spent his time chatting up customers.

Several generations of locals came to admire Buzz for his strong character, impeccable work ethic, and vibrant spirit. Buzz will be remembered as a warmhearted, gracious gentleman who rose to prominence and achieved success the right way.

Buzz was a dear friend and I will always cherish the memories I have of him. His was truly a life well-lived.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND KAZAKHSTAN

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the importance of the bilateral relationship between the United States and Kazakhstan. This has been a key relationship for the United States ever since Kazakhstan established its independence almost 30 years ago. The Republic of Kazakhstan's first president, Nursultan Nazarbayev, oversaw Kazakhstan's emergence as the economic leader of Central Asia, and the United States' key ally in the region, as evidenced in part by the fact that U.S. companies are the largest source of direct foreign investment in Kazakhstan. This is in large part due to the fact Kazakhstan has implemented reform and liberalization policies that have strengthened the bond between our two countries.

Similarly, Kazakhstan has embarked on a path of political reforms to match its successful economic reforms and is taking an increasingly visible role in global affairs. As Chairman of the Helsinki Commission, I must highlight the fact that Kazakhstan chaired the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe in 2010 and led the U.N. Security Council in 2017–2018. In 2018, President Nazarbayev visited Washington, D.C., in connection with the announcement of an Enhanced Strategic Partnership for the 21st Century between Kazakhstan and the United States. The countries agreed to heightened cooperation on political and security issues, including those related to Afghanistan and other defense initiatives, terrorism, extremism, the rule of law, and human rights.

On November 30th, Kazakhstan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs will be hosting a conference to review former President Nazarbayev's long career and highlight his efforts and accomplishments in establishing Kazakhstan as a global leader in a number of important areas. Perhaps most notably is the former president's unbending dedication to advancing the principles of nuclear nonproliferation, a stance that has made the entire world a safer place for this and future generations.

I also applaud current President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev's efforts to prioritize additional

political reforms that will increase transparency and make the government more responsive to all of Kazakhstan's citizens.

Madam Speaker, as former President Nazarbayev celebrates his 80th birthday and the people of Kazakhstan approach the celebration of their country's 30th anniversary, I wish all people of Kazakhstan nothing but peace, prosperity, and continued blessings.

IN HONOR OF MARGARET G. BURGESS

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Margaret G. Burgess of Huntingdon County for her service in the United States Navy. Margaret is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for her service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank Margaret for her service to our nation and our community.

RECOGNIZING THE CAREER OF MAYOR JACKIE A. MECK

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished career of Buckeye, Arizona's Mayor, Jackie A. Meck, as he prepares for a much-deserved retirement. A native and lifelong resident of Buckeye, Mayor Meck has dedicated his life to public service. Buckeye and Maricopa County have been well served under his leadership.

Mayor Meck's retirement comes as he concludes his third consecutive term as Mayor of the City of Buckeye. Three terms is a mere drop in the bucket of the lifetime of work he has given this great city, as he was previously Mayor in 1973 and a two-time member of the city council.

His dedication to the advancement of his community runs not just through Buckeye, but also into West Valley and all of Arizona. A member of the Board of Directors of the Greater Phoenix Economic Council, Maricopa Association of Governments Regional Council, Gila River's El Rio Restoration Project Executive Committee, Interstate-1 Coalition, and much, much more, Mayor Meck continues to be an active member of the governmental and non-governmental associations which work for the benefit of Buckeye and its surrounding areas.

Mayor Meck exemplifies the fierce patriotism and unwavering commitment to country that exists in Arizona's Fourth Congressional District. Under Mayor Meck's tenure, Buckeye has grown stronger and more prosperous. We are grateful for his service to Buckeye, Maricopa County, and the great state of Arizona. Madam Speaker, I urge all my colleagues to join me in thanking Mayor Meck for his service to Buckeye and in wishing him a very happy retirement.

HONORING EDGAR SCULARK

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Edgar Sculark.

Edgar is the third child to the late L.A. and Evie Sculark and was born and raised in Parchman, Mississippi. L.A. Sculark was one of the first African Americans to be employed at the Mississippi Department of Corrections. Edgar was the first African-American child born to an African-American couple while living on the penitentiary property. Edgar was educated in the Drew Separate School District in Drew, MS, where he was very active in sports and band. After graduation, Edgar attended Mississippi Delta Community College in Moorhead, Mississippi, where his major was Criminal Justice.

Shortly after the start of his college education, Edgar left the classroom to support a new family. Edgar married his high school sweetheart, Mashelia Kidd, and they now reside in Batesville, MS, with their three children. His greatest regret was not completing his college degree. However, that milestone helped to transition his mindset into being a big advocate for Education and Living a Purpose Driven Life. Edgar gave service to this country, as well as this state; he spent 10 years in the Mississippi Army National Guard and worked 10 years with the Mississippi Department of Corrections. Edgar also had the opportunity to cultivate his craft by being a master trainer with XPO Logistics. During his tenure with XPO Logistics, he started new companies and coordinated safety trainings. Although he had a flourishing corporate career, Edgar felt that he was neglecting his purpose. It was then that he knew something was missing and broken.

Amidst the broken, Edgar always had a desire to build. With those desires came visions of operation with his Non-Profit Organization (GEM) Greater Expectation Ministries and LLC Voice2Vision (2019). Outlined within his organizations, he ventured into different platforms that delegate the spirit of empowerment though: Mature Minded Males (MMM), Favor Filled Females (FFF), Character Chipped Children (CCC), Book & Blazers, Scholars and Skirts and The Nehemiah Grind. Edgar's ultimate goal of servitude, through both organizations and each platform, is to continue the cycle of youth and people empowerment by way of Motivational Speaking, Mentoring, Reform Misguided Conduct, and Life and Character Coaching. Edgar's areas of specialty are: Anti-Bullying, Personal Motivation and Self-Ownership.

At this point, Edgar began transitioning into another level of building. He reached into the

surrounding communities to build partnerships. As an advocate for children and people, Edgar wanted to do all he could to assist with increasing community involvement. To that experience he added training that equipped him to adequately assist in every arena of trauma. Edgar is a Trained Advocate of the ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Platform.

Prepped and ready to train and assist, Quitman County became his stomping grounds. Edgar has partnered with The Reclaim Project (The Village), where he also actively serves on the board. Being so familiar with the children of Quitman County, it was in his heart to build a partnership with the Quitman County School District, where he actively participates and trains to better serve the needs of the community. He didn't stop there, he built another bridge that crossed into the Quitman County Fine Arts Program where he actively serves on the Board as well.

Edgar often states, "If you get it in your head, God will bring it out through your hands." So it's no secret why he serves. His purpose, his passion and God's plan are the driving forces behind his Healthy Heart to Hand dedication to children, people and community involvement. To that end, Edgar answered his Pastoral Calling 26 years ago, at the age of 21. Still walking in God's Purpose Placed Plan, he has been serving the Quitman County Community for 25 years as a Pastor. From that day to this, Edgar is the Pastor of the Great View Bible Church in Lambert, Mississippi where he operates in his greatest passion of Leadership and Servitude. It is with a grateful heart that he extends the same grace that he has experienced throughout the trials, transitions and triumphs of sacrifice. Trusting God, Trusting in the process and leaning in the way God leads has been the staple of Edgar's life just as it is stated in Proverbs 3:5-6—Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. [6] In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Edgar Sculark for his dedication to serving his community and this great state.

IN HONOR OF HAROLD L.
CAMERON

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Harold L. Cameron of

Huntingdon County for his service in the United States Army. Harold is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for his service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank Harold for his service to our nation and our community.

RECOGNIZING DR. DAVID READY

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize my constituent, Palm Springs City Manager Dr. David Ready and congratulate him on his retirement after 35 years of work in local government.

For the last 20 years, Dr. Ready has worked tirelessly to rebuild Palm Springs' reputation as a world-renowned tourism destination, leading the city into an unprecedented economic renaissance. During his tenure as city manager, Palm Springs' sales tax revenues have increased five times, the city has developed 50 neighborhood organizations, and the downtown area has been completely revitalized.

Beyond managing a city budget of \$291 million, Dr. Ready has also ensured that Palm Springs can provide higher-quality services for its residents. Streets and parks are continually improving, historic sites are being preserved, and Palm Springs continues to house its own police department and animal shelter. Further, Dr. Ready's crucial role in developing air service has brought in tremendous revenue from the Palm Springs Airport.

Dr. Ready's leadership has guided Palm Springs through some of its toughest times, including this year's pandemic. When facing a forecasted decrease in tax revenue this year, Dr. Ready worked diligently with the city council to turn a projected deficit of \$15.5 million into a much smaller \$1.2 million. The city is adapting to COVID-19, and we have Dr. Ready's guidance to thank.

Dr. Ready is the longest-serving city manager in the Coachella Valley, and the only city manager in the United States with both a law and doctorate degree. His education has served him well and will continue to guide him as he pursues public administration academic research post-retirement.

Dr. Ready's work has truly been tireless, and he leaves behind a booming Palm Springs that has become revitalized in his hands. He says of his work, "We never lost our focus on how to provide the best services to our community, how to build our economy, how to provide what our community needs." This focus has paid off, and Dr. Ready's legacy will last for generations to come.

On behalf of California's 36th Congressional District, I thank Dr. Ready for his incredible service. I am thrilled to join the City of Palm Springs in celebrating his well-deserved retirement.

IN HONOR OF WILLIAM M.
CAUFIELD

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor William M. Caufield of Huntingdon County for his service in the United States Army. William is an outstanding Pennsylvanian, and I am grateful for his service to our nation, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and our community.

In Pennsylvania and across the country, our veterans have served and sacrificed for Americans' freedom and our values. They answered the call to serve and fight for us—at a great cost. Truly, our veterans are the best of America.

In Congress, it is my privilege—and my responsibility—to stand up for those who have served our country in uniform, as well as to recognize these brave Americans. As a nation, we are indebted to them. On behalf of the 13th Congressional District, I thank William for his service to our nation and our community.